

**LOCAL HUMAN RIGHTS COMMITTEE**  
**Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee**  
**Meeting of July 26, 2013**

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**PRESENT**

Jennifer Branham, committee member  
Timothy Jones, Human Rights Advocate DBHDS  
Rose Smith, Finney, Zimmerman Psychotherapy Assoc  
Maria Suarez, Family Systems/New Life  
James Jack, Pendleton Child Services Center  
Shawnta Wright, Sarah's Place  
Charlene Hoobler, The Barry Robinson Center  
Denise Henock, The Barry Robinson Center  
James Lassiter, Family Net  
Damon Sutton, Paramount Youth Services  
Linda Bright, Healthcare Svs Hampton Rds  
Vonda Alston, One Vision & Assoc  
Jeffrey Burns, Tidewater Psychotherapy  
Sherry Ferebee, Va Support Group, LLC  
Kenneth Briggs, Sr., committee member  
Angelo Morlino, Vito, Inc.  
Debra Bowman, Dominion Psychiatric, PLLC- Turning Point  
Karol Cason, Cason Community Behavioral  
Barbara Rector (Consumer Applicant)

**ABSENT**

Ronnie Jones, Serenity Living Center

Ms. Jennifer Branham called the meeting to order at 9:02 am. A quorum was not present. Mr. Timothy Jones attended the LHRC meeting on this date. Thirteen reports were sent in ahead of time for this meeting. Mr. Jones reminded everyone that reports are to be sent in two weeks prior to the meeting date to Denise Henock at [dhenock@barryrobinson.org](mailto:dhenock@barryrobinson.org). Ms. Henock will collect and email reports to Mr. Jones and committee members. Reports may also be sent to Mr. Jones at [timothy.jones@dbhds.virginia.gov](mailto:timothy.jones@dbhds.virginia.gov) or faxed to (757)253-5440.

**2013 Meeting Dates**

The remaining meeting for 2013 will be held on the fourth Friday of October 2013. Reminder letters will be sent out prior.

**Public Comment**

Ms. Sherry Ferebee (Virginia Support Group) asked how applications were obtained for consumer positions. Mr. Jones asked her to e-mail him, and he would furnish the application.

**Minutes**

Minutes from the April 26, 2013 meeting could not be reviewed and approved due to there not being a quorum.

**Advocate's Report**

Mr. Jones reminded members of the importance of recruitment. Currently, there are two consumer positions open and one healthcare provider position. Mr. Jones explained that

consumers must be current patients or have received services within the past five years. The healthcare provider needs to be licensed and working in the medical field. Mr. Jones reminded members that no changes could be made or additional services added until the LHCR can meet with a quorum. He also reminded members that the Southside Regional LHRC could be disbanded at any time now due to being nonfunctional.

Mr. Jones reminded members that as of June 1 they should be using the CHRIS/DELTA systems. Mr. Jones discussed common errors resulting in noncompletion of reports.

Mr. Jones discussed AR and asked if there were any questions.

### **Old Business**

None reported

### **New Business**

1. Healthcare Services of Hampton Roads – Ms. Linda Bright announced an additional location of service located at 522 S. Independence Blvd., Suite 104, Virginia Beach, VA 23452

### **Program Reports**

1. Tidewater Psychotherapy – Jeffrey Burns reviewed the quarterly report which indicated 153 clients served in 9 groups. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues. Mr. Jones reminded that the four questions needed to be answered as well and submitted with the quarterly report.
2. Finney, Zimmerman Psychiatric Associates – Rose Smith reported that Finney Zimmerman Psychiatric Associates served 29 adult clients in their intensive outpatient chemical dependency program and relapse prevention program. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
3. Paramount Youth Services – Damon Sutton reported that Paramount Youth Services served 8.6 clients. There was one allegation of neglect to be discussed during closed session.
4. New Life and Family Systems – Maria Suarez reviewed her quarterly report. New Life: There were 3 clients served. There was one allegation to be reviewed during closed session. Family Systems: Clients served were 13 IHH; 52 MHSS/In-home – 21Day Treatment (May). There was one complaint to be reviewed during closed session.
5. Vito Inc. – Angelo Morlino reviewed his quarterly report. His quarterly report indicated they served an average of 70 in-home and day support clients. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
6. Family Net – James Lassiter reviewed the quarterly report which indicated that 5 clients were served in the intensive in-home program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
7. Dominion Psychiatric Associates, PLLC-Turning Point- Debra Bowman reported Dominion Psychiatric served 6 clients in their Intensive Outpatient Chemical Dependency Program and aftercare program. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.

8. Sarah's Place- Shawnta Wright reviewed her quarterly report. There were four clients served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
9. One Vision and Associates- Vonda Alston reported there were 5 clients served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
10. Health Care Services of Hampton Roads, Inc.- Linda Bright reported that they were providing mental health support to 23 consumers. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
11. The Barry Robinson Center – Charlene Hoobler reported that the average monthly census was 56. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues. Ms. Hoobler was reminded to resubmit the quarter report from the first quarter with changes.
12. Pendleton Child Services Center – James Jack reviewed the quarterly report, which indicated 25 clients were served in their residential and day-treatment programs. There were no abuse allegations. There were no restraints, complaints, or other human rights issues.
13. Virginia Support Group – Sherry Ferebee reviewed the quarterly report which indicated 1 client served. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
14. Serenity Living, LLC – Corie Brown reported currently having no clients. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.
15. Cason Community & Behavioral Services – Karol Cason reported currently having no clients. There were no restraints, complaints or other human rights issues.

### **Executive Session**

A motion was made, seconded and passed that the LHRC enter into an Executive Session pursuant to Virginia Code Section 2.2-3711 (A)4 for the protection of the privacy of individuals in personal matters not related to public business, namely for the purpose of reviewing abuse/neglect allegations for Paramount Youth Services, New Life/Mary's House and Family Systems, II, Inc.

### **Exit Executive Session**

Upon reconvening into public session, the LHRC unanimously certified to the best of each member's knowledge, only public matters, lawfully exempt from statutory open meeting requirements, and only public business matters identified in the motion to reconvene this session, the Executive Session, were discussed in the Executive Session.

After reconvening into public session, the Southside Regional Local Human Rights Committee indicated that the following recommendations be made.

#### **Recommendations:**

Paramount Youth Services: Altercation 6/9/13 – It was requested that a copy of the incident be sent to the Human Rights office to be kept on record.

New Life/Mary's House: Altercation 6/3/13 – It was recommended that staff/Director notify AR.

Also recommended looking at policies to include physical restraints.

Family Systems II, Inc: Parent Complaint 6/12/13 – No recommendations

There was no public comment. The meeting was adjourned at 10:11 a.m.